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In re application: **Paul et al.**

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For: **Method and System for Fault-Tolerant Remote Boot in the Presence of Boot Server Overload/Failure with Self-Throttling Boot Servers**

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Proposed amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.